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The Birmingham Eccentric

SECTION 3

Thursday, February 10, 1955

Birmingham Background

• Local History in Story and Picture •
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RHODA M. STARR

Superintendent Birmingham Schools 1911-1915

Schools Were Hitched to a Starr

Only woman ever to serve as superintendent of Birmingham school system was Rhoda M. Starr (1911-1915).

Living on a farm near the corner of 13 Mile and Crooks road, Rhoda, her sisters and brothers attended Birmingham high school (now called Hill school).

She graduated in the class of 1902 and within a few years was teaching in the school from which she graduated. In 1910 she served as principal under superintendent S. M. Dudley.

WHEN DUDLEY LEFT the following year, Rhoda was appointed superintendent. Since Rhoda already had been hired, the village school board ignored a resolution presented by W. A. Burtraw in July 1913 and passed by the 53 voters attending, that the school board engage a male superintendent.

She continued as superintendent until June 1915 when she resigned to take a position at Northwestern high school, Detroit. Clarence Vliet, still a resident of Birmingham, came to take her place.

Serve on Committee For Party Dinner

Murray (Pat) Van Wagener, 175 Abbey, and Ben Goldstein, 85 Judy Lane, are serving on the advisory dinner committee for the second annual Wayne County Democratic Victory Drive dinner scheduled for Detroit's Masonic Temple, Saturday, March 12.

The dinner will mark the beginning of the Democratic drive in the April 4 spring election and will honor Gov. G. Mennen Williams, Senator Patrick V. McNamara and other Democratic officials.

New Books at the Baldwin Library

- FICTION
DEATY—Four Winds
FRY—The Heart of the Matter
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YOUNGBLANK—Mentors of Modern
- REFERENCE BOOKS
CRISP—Crisp Directory, 1954
HENSCH—Dictionary of Foreign Trade
PSYCHOLOGY—PHILOSOPHY
STERN—This Revolution
BATHURST—Supernatural Hero's
HARKNESS—Sources of Western
FLETCHER—Morals and Medicine
RELIGION
STAMM—One Fine Hour
KIRK—Group Activities for Church
- SOCIAL SCIENCES
CHERIE—Fingerprints Never Lie
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BIRMINGHAM—Modern Ski Systems
- LITERATURE
COWLEY—Literary Situation
COWLEY—Collected Plays
HISTORY—BIOGRAPHY—TRAVEL
JOSEPH—World Wide Travel Guide
MADOFF—The Red Carpet
MEYER—Regent on Africa
BIRMAN—The Freedom
HOLZMAN—Starmy Ben Butler
GOREK—Antiquities
HOLZBERG—Soren Kierkegaard
MOORE—Life and Works of D. H. Lawrence
RUBIN—My Hero
SENNETT—King of Comedy
CLARK—Three Men for the Colonel
BOLTON—Famous American Authors
GRIFFIN—Indiana of Today
STENGER—Beyond the Hundredth
GREENING—States of Alaska
BIRD—The Land of Challenge
JUVENILE BOOKS
MORSE—King Solomon's Navy
BIEDMAN—Food for People
HAYES—The Book of Health
ZACHRY—Cranes

PEOPLE'S COLUMN

Wants Park Kept Where It Is Now

To the Editor: Six years ago we moved from Milwaukee and had to find a home in this area. Driving into Birmingham we remember the surge of pleasure that came over us as we saw the beauty of Baldwin library, Shain park and the city hall with tree-lined streets.

This expanse gave a vivid impression that Birmingham must be a city of fine people, proud of their environment, willing to weigh the esthetic values equally with today's commercial demands. It takes a long time to create such a lovely area as the park with its tall trees, its full grown shrubbery and green. Moreover Shain park is in perfect setting, not only a joy in itself, but enhancing both the city hall and the library.

MOVED to any other location this would be totally lost. In the location proposed by the Commission, it would be a gesture, not particularly vital, to compensate for a parking lot.

Course we, too, have been exasperated, at times trying to find a parking place. The city commission is to be commended for trying to solve the parking problem but there are various factors and approaches to it.

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